

# **ARC 6446B**

## **EDUCATIONAL EXAMINERS**

### **BOARD[282]**

#### **Notice of Intended Action**

Twenty-five interested persons, a governmental subdivision, an agency or association of 25 or more persons may demand an oral presentation hereon as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.4(1)“b.”

Notice is also given to the public that the Administrative Rules Review Committee may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this proposed action under section 17A.8(6) at a regular or special meeting where the public or interested persons may be heard.

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272.2, the Board of Educational Examiners hereby gives Notice of Intended Action to amend Chapter 14, “Issuance of Practitioner’s Licenses and Endorsements,” Iowa Administrative Code.

The proposed amendment to subrule 14.106(1) and the rescission of subrule 14.106(2) reflect the current practices and language. Subrule 14.106(1) is changed to reflect more current language pertaining to endorsements. Option 4 is added to subrule 14.106(1) to reflect the current practice in which a teacher may ask for a review of transcripts in order to add an endorsement without first obtaining a letter of rejection or appeal from the college official.

A waiver provision is not included. The Board has adopted a uniform waiver rule.

Any interested party or persons may present their views either orally or in writing at the public hearing that will be held Wednesday, January 2, 2008, at 1 p.m. in Room 3 Southwest, Third Floor, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

At the hearing, persons will be asked to give their names and addresses for the record and to confine their remarks to the subject of the proposed amendments. Persons who wish to make oral presentations at the public hearing may contact the Executive Director, Board of Educational Examiners, Grimes State Office Building, East 14th Street and Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0147, or at (515)281-5849, prior to the date of the public hearing.

Any person who intends to attend the public hearing and requires special accommodations for specific needs, such as a sign language interpreter, should contact the office of the Executive Director at (515)281-5849.

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Any interested person may make written comments or suggestions on the proposed amendments before 4 p.m. on Friday, January 4, 2008. Written comments and suggestions should be addressed to Marcia J. Henderson, Board Secretary, Board of Educational Examiners, at the above address, or sent by E-mail to [marcia.henderson@iowa.gov](mailto:marcia.henderson@iowa.gov), or by fax to (515)281-7669.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 272.

A fiscal impact summary prepared by the Legislative Services

Agency pursuant to Iowa Code § 17A.4(3) will be available at <http://www.legis.state.ia.us/IAC.html> or at (515) 281-5279 prior to the Administrative Rules Review Committee's review of this rule making.

The following amendments are proposed.

ITEM 1. Amend subrule 14.106(1) as follows:

**14.106(1)** To add an endorsement, the applicant must follow one of these options:

Option 1. Identify with a recognized Iowa teacher preparing institution, meet that institution's current requirements for the endorsement desired, and receive that institution's recommendation.

*Option 1. Receive the Iowa teacher education institution's recommendation that the current approved program requirements for the endorsement have been met.*

Option 2. Identify with a recognized Iowa teacher education institution and receive a statement that the applicant has completed the equivalent of the institution's approved program for the endorsement sought.

*Option 2. Receive verification from the Iowa teacher education institution that the minimum state requirements for the endorsement have been met in lieu of the institution's approved program.*

Option 3. Identify with a recognized teacher education institution and receive a statement that based on the institution's evaluation of the individual's preparation the applicant has completed all of the Iowa requirements for the endorsement sought.

*Option 3. Receive verification from a state approved and regionally accredited institution that the Iowa minimum requirements for the endorsement have been met.*

*Option 4. Apply for a review of the transcripts by the board of educational examiners' staff to determine if all Iowa requirements have been met. The applicant must submit documentation that all of the Iowa requirements have been met by filing transcripts and supporting documentation for review. The fee for the transcript evaluation is \$60 for each new endorsement requested. This fee shall be in addition to the fee for adding the endorsement.*

ITEM 2. Rescind subrule 14.106(2) as follows:

**14.106(2)** Appeal. If an applicant cannot obtain a recommendation for an endorsement from an institution, and if the applicant can document that all of the Iowa requirements have been met, the applicant may apply for the endorsement by filing transcripts and supporting documentation for review. The application must be accompanied by a letter of rejection from an institution that offers the endorsement. Upon receipt of all materials, the staff of the board of educational examiners will review documents to determine if all Iowa requirements have been met.